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SUBJ: RAILROAD EQUIPMENT TRADE MISSION, APRIL 1975

FOLLOWING CABLE WAS SENT ACTION TO GABORONE. IT IS
REPEATED TO JOHANNESBURG FOR THE POST'S INFORMATION.

"STATE 231173, 21 OCT. 74."

1. BACKED BY HIGHLY FAVORABLE POST RESPONSES AND INDUSTRY
POLLING, COMMERCE PLANNING TO SEND RAILROAD EQUIPMENT TRADE
MISSION TO NIGERIA, ZAIRE AND ZAMBIA IN APRIL 1975. MISSION NOW
SCHEDULED TO END IN LUSAKA ON 25 REPEAT 25 APRIL.

2. MISSION PLANNING TO INCLUDE REPRESENTATIVES OF FOLLOWING
RAILROAD EQUIPMENT PRODUCT SECTORS: RAILROAD MAINTENANCE OF
WAY EQUIPMENT, RAILWAY SIGNALLING AND COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT,
RAILROAD HAND TOOLS, RAILROAD CRANES, RAIL WELDING MACHINERY,
DIESEL ELECTRIC LOCOMOTIVES, DIESEL AND ELECTRIC MOTOR PARTS,
RAILROAD FREIGHT AND PASSENGER CARS AND PARTS, AND STEEL RAILS.

3. COMMERCE WONDERS IF MISSION OF ANY INTEREST TO GABORONE
(I.E. SPIN OFF TRIPS TO BOTSWANA BY MISSION MEMBERS). IF SO,
WHAT PRODUCT SECTORS HAVE BEST SALES POTENTIAL? ADDITIONAL DATA
CONCERNING STRUCTURE AND PLANS OF RAILROAD SYSTEM IN BOTSWANA
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